COUNTY OF SAN BERNARDINO

CALIFORNIA

SPECIAL DISTRICTS

AUDIT REPORT

BIG BEAR VALLEY PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

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April 28, 2009

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Independent Auditor's Report

April 28, 2009

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SUBJECT: AUDIT OF BIG BEAR VALLEY PARK AND RECREATION DISTRICT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2008

Introductory Remarks

In compliance with Section 26909 of the California Government Code, we have completed an audit of Big Bear Valley Park and Recreation District for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008.

Auditor's Report

We have audited the accompanying financial statements of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the remaining aggregate fund information of the County of San Bernardino Special District's Big Bear Valley Park and Recreation District (District), a component unit of the County of San Bernardino, California, as of and for the year ended June 30, 2008, which collectively comprise the District's basic financial statements as listed in the table of contents. These financial statements are the responsibility of the District's management. Our responsibility is to express opinions on these financial statements based on our audit.

We conducted our audit in accordance with auditing standards generally accepted in the United States of America and the minimum audit requirements and reporting guidelines for California Special Districts required by the Office of the State Controller. Those standards require that we plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements are free from material misstatement. An audit includes examining, on a test basis, evidence supporting the amounts and disclosures in the financial

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statements. An audit also includes assessing the accounting principles used and significant estimates made by management, as well as evaluating the overall financial statement presentation. We believe that our audit provides a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, each major fund, and the remaining aggregate fund information of the District, as of June 30, 2008, and the respective changes in financial position, thereof, for the year then ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America as well as accounting systems prescribed by the State Controller's Office and the state regulations governing Special Districts.

The accompanying budgetary comparison information on pages 26-27 is not a required part of the basic financial statements but is supplementary information required by accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. We have applied certain limited procedures, which consisted principally of inquiries of management regarding the methods of measurement and presentation of the required supplementary information. However, we did not audit the information and express no opinion on it.

The District has not presented the Management's Discussion and Analysis that the Governmental Accounting Standards Board has determined is necessary to supplement, although not required to be a part of, the basic financial statements.

Respectfully submitted,

Larry Walker

Auditor/Controller-Recorder

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County of San Bernardino Big Bear Valley Park and Recreation District Statement of Net Assets June 30, 2008

	Governmental Activities
ASSETS	
Current assets	
Cash and cash equivalents	\$ 2,921,163
Interest receivable	26,836
Taxes receivable	202,814_
Total current assets	3,150,813
Noncurrent assets	
Capital assets:	
Land	1,465,939
Improvements to land	1,684,338
Structures and improvements	2,310,119
Construction in progress	427,735
Vehicles and equipment	158,289
Accumulated depreciation	(1,562,096)
Total noncurrent assets	4,484,324
Total assets	\$ 7,635,137
LIABILITIES	
Current liabilities	
Accounts payable	\$ 10,747
Salaries and benefits payable	121,881
Due to other governments	468
Total current liabilities	133,096
Noncurrent liabilities	
Compensated absences payable	136,552
Total liabilities	269,648
NET ASSETS	
Invested in capital assets	4,484,324
Unrestricted	2,881,165
Total net assets	7,365,489
Total liabilities and net assets	\$ 7,635,137

County of San Bernardino Big Bear Valley Park and Recreation District Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Governmental Activities
EXPENSES	
Salaries and benefits	\$ 1,608,777
Services and supplies	965,905
Professional fees	427,222
Depreciation	133,335
Donation of asset	30,118_
Total expenses	3,165,357
PROGRAM REVENUES	
Charges for services	1,104,728
Operating grants and contributions:	, ,
State assistance-Latchkey Grant	168,543
Community Development Block Grant	209,536
Contributions and private donations	39,799
Capital grants and contributions:	
State assistance-Roberti-Z'Berg-Harris Block Grant	2,500,000
Total program revenues	4,022,606
Net program (expense) revenue	857,249
GENERAL REVENUES	
Property taxes	1,812,152
State assistance-Homeowners Exemption	22,503
Investment earnings	130,521
Other revenue	8,104
Total general revenues	1,973,280
Change in net assets	2,830,529
Net assets - beginning	4,534,960
Net assets - ending	\$ 7,365,489

County of San Bernardino Big Bear Valley Park and Recreation District Balance Sheet Governmental Funds June 30, 2008

		SPECIAL REV	ENUE FL	INDS		FUND	Tota	l Nonmajor		
	(Seneral (SSA)		Zoo (SSF)		ge Animal Park cation (CRR)		ernmental Funds	Total Governmental Funds	
ASSETS					· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·					
Cash and cash equivalents	\$	739,939	\$	230,093	\$	1,736,196	\$	214,935	\$	2,921,163
Interest receivable		5,927		1,528		17,396		1,985		26,836
Taxes receivable		202,814					•	_	•	202,814
Total assets	\$	948,680	\$	231,621	\$	1,753,592	\$	216,920	\$	3,150,813
LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCES	3									
Liabilities:										
Accounts payable	\$	-	\$	-	\$	-	\$	10,747	\$	10,747
Salaries and benefits payable		92,069		29,812		-		-		121,881
Due to other governments	***************************************	468		-				-		468
Total liabilities		92,537		29,812			***************************************	10,747		133,096
Fund balances:										
Reserved for:										
Imprest cash		775		-		-		-		775
Encumbrances		20,839		=		-		136,819		157,658
Unreserved:										
Undesignated		834,529		201,809	***************************************	1,753,592		69,354	Val	2,859,284
Total fund balances		856,143		201,809		1,753,592		206,173		3,017,717
Total liabilities and fund balances	\$	948,680	\$	231,621	\$	1,753,592	\$	216,920		
Amounts reported for governmental of net assets are different because:		the statement								
Capital assets used in governmental resources and, therefore, are not re										4,484,324
Compensated absences payable are therefore, are not reported in the fu		and payable in the	current p	eriod, and					DECEMBER	(136,552)
Net assets of Governmental Activitie	es								\$	7,365,489

County of San Bernardino Big Bear Valley Park and Recreation District Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances Governmental Funds

For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

					CAPITAL				
	SPECIAL RE	VENU	E FUND		JECT FUND				
	General Fund (SSA)		Zoo (SSF)		ridge Animal Relocation (CRR)	Gov	l Nonmajor ernmental Funds	Gov	Total /ernmental Funds
REVENUES									
Property taxes	\$ 1,700,452	\$	111,700	\$	-	\$	-	\$	1,812,152
Charges for services	605,390		499,338		-		-		1,104,728
Investment earnings	29,899		7,356		85,260		8,006		130,521
Contributions and private donations	25,836		11,740		-		2,223		39,799
Aid from other governments:									
Roberti-Zeiberg-Harris Grant	2,500,000		-		-		-		2,500,000
Community Develop. Block Grant	105,427				-		104,109		209,536
Latchkey Grant	168,543		-		-		-		168,543
Homeowners Exemption	22,503		<u></u>		-		-		22,503
Other revenue	7,839				_		265		8,104
Total revenues	5,165,889	***************************************	630,134		85,260		114,603		5,995,886
EXPENDITURES									
Salaries and benefits	1,206,574		365,857		~		-		1,572,431
Services and supplies	827,704		138,201		~		-		965,905
Professional services	350,828		76,394		-		-		427,222
Capital outlay									
Land	1,325,000		-		-		-		1,325,000
Improvements to land	315,035				42,230		277,056		634,321
Structures and improvements	859,965					<u></u>			859,965
Total expenditures	4,885,106		580,452		42,230		277,056		5,784,844
Excess of revenues over (under)									
expenditures	280,783		49,682	***************************************	43,030		(162,453)		211,042
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)									
Transfers in	49,593		-		74,030		394,000		517,623
Transfers out	(394,000)		-		-		(123,623)		(517,623)
Total other financing sources									
(uses)	(344,407)				74,030		270,377		
Net change in fund balances	(63,624)		49,682		117,060		107,924		211,042
Fund balances - beginning	919,767		152,128		1,636,532		98,248		2,806,675
Fund balances - ending	\$ 856,143	\$	201,810	\$	1,753,592	\$	206,172	\$	3,017,717

County of San Bernardino Big Bear Valley Park and Recreation District Reconciliation of the Statement of Revenues, Expenditures, and Changes in Fund Balances of Governmental Funds to the Statement of Activities For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

Net change in fund balances - Total Governmental Funds

\$ 211,042

Amounts reported for governmental activities in the statement of activities are different because:

Governmental funds report capital outlays as expenditures. However, in the Statement of Activities, the cost of those assets is allocated over their estimated useful lives and reported as depreciation expense. This activity is reconciled as follows:

Capital outlay

Depreciation expense

Donation of land (30,118)

Long-term liabilities, including compensated absences, are not due and payable in the current period and, therefore, are not reported as expenditures in governmental funds. This amount represents the net increase in the compensated absences liability.

(36,346)

2,819,286

(133, 335)

Change in net assets of governmental activities

\$ 2,830,529

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Reporting Entity

The Big Bear Valley Park and Recreation District (District) is located within the County of San Bernardino. The District has governmental powers as established by the San Bernardino County Government Charter. The County was established in 1852 as a legal subdivision of the State of California.

The District was established by an act of the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Bernardino (the County) on April 23, 1934. The District maintains nine parks, including a zoo, swim beach, and a senior center.

The District is a component unit of the County of San Bernardino and is governed by the actions of the County Board of Supervisors.

The accompanying financial statements reflect only the accounts of the Big Bear Valley Park and Recreation District of the County of San Bernardino and are not intended to present the financial position of the County taken as a whole.

Because the District meets the reporting entity criteria established by the Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB), the District's financial statements have also been included in the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report of the County of San Bernardino as a "component unit" for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008.

Government-wide and fund financial statements

The government-wide financial statements (i.e., the Statement of Net Assets and the Statement of Activities) report information on all of the nonfiduciary activities of the reporting entity. For the most part, the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from these statements. *Governmental activities*, which normally are supported by taxes and intergovernmental revenues, are reported separately from *business-type activities*, which rely to a significant extent on fees and charges for support.

The Statement of Activities demonstrates the degree to which the direct expenses of a given function or segment are offset by program revenues. *Direct expenses* are those that are clearly identifiable with a specific function or segment. *Program revenues* include 1) charges to customers or applicants who purchase, use, or directly benefit from goods, services, or privileges provided by a given function or segment, and 2) grants and contributions that are restricted to meeting the operational or capital requirements of a particular function or segment. Taxes and other items not properly included among program revenues are reported instead as *general revenues*.

Separate financial statements are provided for governmental funds, proprietary funds, and fiduciary funds, even though the latter are excluded from the government-wide financial statements. Currently, the District does not have any proprietary or fiduciary fund types.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Major individual governmental funds are reported as separate columns in the fund financial statements.

Measurement focus, basis of accounting, and financial statement presentation

The government-wide financial statements are reported using the *economic resources* measurement focus and the accrual basis of accounting as are the proprietary fund financial statements. Revenues are recorded when earned and expenses are recorded when a liability is incurred, regardless of the timing of related cash flows. Property taxes are recognized as revenues in the year for which they are levied. Grants and similar items are recognized as revenue as soon as all eligibility requirements imposed by the provider have been met.

Governmental fund financial statements are reported using the *current financial* resources measurement focus and the modified accrual basis of accounting. Revenues are recognized as soon as they are both measurable and available. Revenues are considered to be available when they are collectible within the current period or soon enough thereafter to pay liabilities of the current period. For this purpose, the government considers revenues to be available if they are collected within 60 days of the end of the current fiscal period. However, for revenue derived from voluntary non-exchange transactions, such as federal and state grants, the County expanded its definition of "available" to 9 months. Expenditures generally are recorded when a liability is incurred, as under accrual accounting. However, debt service expenditures, as well as expenditures related to compensated absences and claims and judgments, are recorded only when payment is due.

The government reports the following major governmental funds:

The *special revenue fund* labeled "General" is the government's primary operating fund. It accounts for all financial resources of the general government, except those required to be accounted for in another fund.

The special revenue fund labeled "Zoo" accounts for the Moonridge Animal Park Zoo.

The *capital projects fund* labeled "Moonridge Animal Park Relocation" is used to account for financial resources to be used for the acquisition or construction of major capital facilities for the zoo.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Private-sector standards of accounting and financial reporting issued prior to December 1, 1989, generally are followed in both the government-wide and proprietary fund financial statements to the extent that those standards do not conflict with or contradict guidance of the Governmental Accounting Standards Board. Governments also have the option of following subsequent private-sector guidance for their business-type activities and enterprise funds, subject to this same limitation. The government has elected not to follow subsequent private-sector guidance.

As a general rule the effect of interfund activity has been eliminated from the government-wide financial statements.

When both restricted and unrestricted resources are available for use, it is the government's policy to use restricted resources first, and then unrestricted resources as they are needed.

Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents are considered to be cash on hand, demand deposits and short-term investments with original maturities of three months or less from the date of acquisition. Cash and cash equivalents include the cash balances of substantially all funds, which are pooled and invested by the County Treasurer to increase interest earning through investment activities.

Investment activities are governed by the California Government Code Sections 53601, 53635, and 53638 and the County's Investment Policy. Authorized investments include U.S. Government Treasury and Agency securities, bankers' acceptances, commercial paper, medium-term notes, mutual funds, repurchase agreements, and reverse repurchase agreements.

Interest income and realized gains and losses earned on pooled investments are deposited quarterly to the CSA's accounts based upon the CSA's average daily deposit balances during the quarter. Unrealized gains and losses of the pooled investments are distributed to the CSA annually. Cash and cash equivalents are shown at fair value as of June 30, 2008.

Property taxes

Secured property taxes are levied in two equal installments, November 1 and February 1. They become delinquent with penalties after December 10 and April 10, respectively. The lien date is January 1 of each year. Unsecured property taxes are due on the March 1 lien date and become delinquent with penalties after August 31.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

Capital assets

Capital assets, which include property, plant and equipment, and infrastructure assets (e.g., roads, bridges, sidewalks, and similar items), are reported in the governmental activities column in the government-wide financial statements. Capital assets are defined by the government as assets with an initial, individual cost of more than \$5,000 (for improvements to land and structures and equipment) and have an estimated useful life in excess of one year. Structures with an initial cost of \$100,000 are considered capital assets. Such assets are recorded at historical cost or estimated historical cost if purchased or constructed. Donated capital assets are recorded at estimated fair market value at the date of donation.

The cost of normal maintenance and repairs that do not add to the value of the asset or materially extend asset life is not capitalized.

Major outlays for capital assets and improvements are capitalized as projects are constructed.

Property, plant and equipment of the government are depreciated using the straight-line method over the following estimated useful lives:

Assets	Years
Infrastructure	10 - 100
Structures and improvements	Up to 45
Equipment and vehicles	5 - 15

Net assets

Net assets comprise the various net earnings from operating and non-operating revenues, expenses and contribution of capital. Net assets are classified in the following three components:

- Invested in capital assets, net of related debt This component of net assets consists of capital assets, including restricted capital assets, net of accumulated depreciation and reduced by the outstanding balances of any bonds, mortgages, notes, or other borrowings that are attributable to the acquisition, construction, or improvement of those assets.
- Restricted This component of net assets consists of constraints placed on net
 asset use through external constraints imposed by creditors, grantors, contributors,
 or laws or regulations of other governments or constraints imposed by law through
 constitutional provisions or enabling legislation.

NOTE 1: SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES - Continued

 Unrestricted – This component of net assets consists of net assets of the County that are not restricted for any project or other purpose.

Fund equity

In the fund financial statements, governmental funds report reservations of fund balance for amounts that are not available for appropriation or are legally restricted by outside parties for use for a specific purpose. Designations of fund balance represent tentative management plans that are subject to change.

Use of Estimates

The preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles requires management to make estimates and assumptions that affect certain reported amounts and disclosures. Accordingly, actual results could differ from those estimates.

Stewardship, compliance and accountability

A. Budgetary information

In accordance with provisions of Section 29000 - 29143 of the Government code of the State of California, commonly known as the County Budget Act, the District prepares and adopts a budget on or before August 30 for each fiscal year.

Budgets are prepared on the modified accrual basis of accounting. The legal level of budgetary control is the object level and the sub-object level for capital assets within each fund.

Amendments or transfers of appropriations between funds or departments must be approved by the Board. Transfers at the sub-object level or cost center level may be done at the discretion of the Special District's Administration Department head. Any deficiency of budgeted revenues and other financing resources over expenditures and other financing uses is financed by beginning available fund balances as provided for in the County Budget Act.

B. Encumbrances

Encumbrance accounting is employed in governmental funds. Encumbrances (e.g., purchase orders, contracts) outstanding at year end are reported as reservations of fund balances and do not constitute expenditures or liabilities because the commitments will be re-appropriated and honored during the subsequent year.

NOTE 2: CASH AND INVESTMENTS

Cash and investments include the cash balances of substantially all funds which are pooled (the "pool") and invested by the County Treasurer for the purpose of increasing interest earnings through investment activities. The pool is not registered as an investment company with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) nor is it a SEC Rule 2a7 – like pool. The pool does not issue a separate report. Included also are cash and investments held by certain joint powers authorities and cash held by various trustee financial institutions in accordance with the California Government Code. State law now requires that all operating monies of the County, school districts, and board-governed special districts be held by the County Treasurer. The net asset value associated with legally mandated participants in the asset pool was \$4.12 billion at June 30, 2008.

As of June 30, 2008, the fair value of the County Pool was \$4.44 billion. Approximately 8% of the County pool is attributable to the County General Fund, with the remainder of the balance comprised of other County funds, school districts and special districts. Additionally, as of June 30, 2008, \$20.9 million of the amounts deposited in the County pool was attributable to depositors who are not required to, but choose to, invest in the County pool. These include independent special districts, State Trial Court, and other governmental agencies. The deposits held for both involuntary and voluntary entities are reported in the Investment Trust Fund.

The fair value of the pool is determined monthly, and depends on, among other factors, the maturities and types of investments and general market conditions. The fair value of each participant's position including both voluntary and involuntary participants is the same as the value of the pool share. The method used to determine participants' equity withdrawn is based on the daily average book value of the participants' percentage participation in the pool.

The County has not produced or provided any letters of credit or legal binding guarantees as supplemental support of pool values during the year ended at June 30, 2008. The pool provides monthly reporting to both the Board of Supervisors and the County Treasury Oversight Committee who also review and approve investment policy.

The County does not pool its external participants' investments separately from the County pool. The average rate of return on investments during fiscal year 2008 was 4.53%.

NOTE 2: CASH AND INVESTMENTS - Continued

A summary of the investments held by the County Treasurer is as follows (amounts in thousands):

Investment Type		Cost	Fair Value	Interest Rate Range (%)	Maturity Range	Average Maturity
U.S. Treasury Securities	\$	14,984	\$ 15,058	3.36%	10/15/08	107
U.S. Government Agencies	•	2,496,871	2,501,610	2.49% - 5.53%	7/9/08 - 4/18/11	533
Negotiable Certificates of Deposit		781,725	780,075	2.38% - 3.02%	7/1/08 - 2/27/09	66
Commercial Paper		525,246	528,556	2.36% - 2.91%	7/1/08 - 11/28/08	37
Corporate Notes		197,502	194,780	2.72% - 5.69%	8/15/08 - 1/4/09	373
Money Market Mutual Funds		215,000	215,000	2.53%	7/1/08	1
Repurchase Agreements		100,000	100,000	2.57%	7/1/08	1
Total Treasurer's Pooled Investments	\$	4,331,328	\$ 4,335,079			
Investments Controlled by Fiscal Agents:						
Money Market Funds		19,403	19,403			
Mutual Funds		17,187	17,187			
Guaranteed Investment Contracts		35,918	35,918			
U.S. Treasury Securities		82,612	82,612			
U.S. Agency Discount Notes		6,581	6,581			
Total Investments Controlled			 			
by Fiscal Agents	\$	161,701	\$ 161,701			
Total Investments	\$	4,493,029	\$ 4,496,780			
Cash in Banks:						
Non-Interest Bearing Deposits			\$ 35,807			
Total Cash and Investments			\$ 4,532,587			

				Maximun	Individual	%of
	S&P	Moody's	Fitch	Allowed	issuer	Pool
Investment Type	Rating	Rating	Rating	%of Portfolio	Limitations	06/30/08
U.S. Treasury Securities	AAA	Aaa	AAA	100%	None	0.30%
U.S. Government Agencies	AAA	Aaa	AAA	75%	None	57.70%
Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	A1+	P1	F1+	30%	\$100NM	18.00%
Commercial Paper	A1+	P1	F1+	40%	10\$	12.20%
Corporate Notes	Æ	Aa1	AA+	10%	\$50MM	4.50%
Money Market Mutual Funds	AAA	Aaa	AAA	15%	10%	5.00%
Repurchase Agreements	A1	P1	F1+	40%	None	230%
Total Treasurer's Pooled Investments						

Investment authorized by debt agreement

Investment of debt proceeds held by bond trustees are governed by provisions of the trust agreements, created in connection with the issuance of debt rather than the general provisions of the California Government Code. Certificates of Participation and Revenue Bond indentures specify the types of securities in which proceeds may be invested as well as any related insurance, collateral, or minimum credit rating requirements. Although requirements may vary between debt issues, money market funds are all required to be investment grade. Guaranteed investment contracts are required to be acceptable to the

NOTE 2: CASH AND INVESTMENTS - Continued

municipal bond insurer. The fair value of investments is based on the valuation provided by trustee banks.

Investment credit risk

Investment credit risk exists when there is a possibility the issuer or other counterparty to an investment may be unable to fulfill its obligations. GASB Statement No. 40 requires the disclosure of credit quality ratings for investments in debt securities as well as investments in external investment pools, money market funds, and other pooled investments of fixed income securities.

California Law and San Bernardino County Treasury Pool Investment Policy (where more restrictive) place limitations on the purchase of investments in the County Pool. Purchases of commercial paper and negotiable certificates of deposit are restricted to the top two ratings issued by a minimum of two of three nationally recognized statistical rating organizations (NRSRO's). For an issuer of short-term debt, the rating must be no less than A-1 (S&P), P-1 (Moody's), or F-1 (Fitch), while an issuer of long-term corporate debt must have a minimum letter rating of "AA". Federal Agency notes and bonds, municipal notes and bonds, and money market mutual funds must have a minimum letter rating of "AAA". Limits are also placed on the maximum percentage investment by sector and by individual issuer. As of June 30, 2008, all investments held by the County pool were within policy limits.

Concentration of credit risk

An increased risk of loss occurs as more investments are acquired from one issuer (i.e. lack of diversification). This results in a concentration of credit risk.

GASB Statement No. 40 requires disclosure of investments by amount and issuer that represent five percent or more of total investments held.

This requirement excludes investments issued or explicitly guaranteed by the United States Government, investments in mutual funds, external investment pools, and other pooled investments. As of June 30, 2008, the following issuers represented more than five percent of the County pool balance (amounts in thousands):

	Fair	% of		
Issuer	Value	Portfolio		
FNMA	\$ 764,170	17.63%		
FHLB	\$ 714,683	16.49%		
FHLMC	\$ 576,214	13.28%		
FFCB	\$ 446,543	10.30%		

NOTE 2: CASH AND INVESTMENTS - Continued

Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk exists when there is a possibility that changes in interest rates could adversely affect an investment's fair value. Generally, the longer the maturity of an investment, the greater the interest rate risk associated with that investment.

GASB Statement No. 40 requires that interest rate risk be disclosed using a minimum of one of five approved methods which are: segmented time distribution, specific identification, weighted average maturity, duration, and simulated model.

The County manages its exposure to interest rate risk by carefully matching cash flows and maturing positions to meet expenditures, limiting 40% of the County Pool to maturities of one year or less, and by maintaining an overall effective duration of 1.5 years or less. Duration is a measure of a fixed income's cash flow using present values, weighted for cash flows as a percentage of the investments full price. Effective duration makes assumptions regarding the most likely timing and amounts of variable cash flows arising from such investments as callable bonds.

California Law and where more restrictive, the San Bernardino County Pool Investment Policy, place limitations on the maximum maturity of investments to be purchased by sector (see schedule, amounts in thousands). As of June 30, 2008, all investments held by the County Pool were within policy limits. A summary of investments for maturity range, maturity limits, maturity average and effective duration is as follows:

Investment Type	Fair Value	Maturity Range (Days)	Maturity Limits	Average Maturity	Effective Duration
U.S. Treasury Securities	\$ 15,058	107	5 Years	66	0.29
U.S. Government Agencies	2,501,610	9 - 1,022	5 Years	37	1.28
Negotiable Certificates of Deposit	780,075	1 - 242	365 days	373	0.18
Commercial Paper	528,556	1 - 151	270 days	533	0.1
Corporate Notes	194,780	46 - 492	18 months	1	0.97
Money Market Mutual Funds	215,000	1	Daily Liq.	1	0.003
Repurchase Agreements	100,000	1	180 days	107	0.003
Total Securities	\$ 4,335,079			311	

Custodial credit risk

Custodial Credit Risk for Deposits exists when, in the event of a depository financial institution failure, a government may be unable to recover deposits, or recover collateral securities that are in the possession of an outside party. GASB Statement No. 40 requires the disclosure of deposits into a financial institution that are not covered by FDIC depository insurance and are uncollateralized.

NOTE 2: CASH AND INVESTMENTS - Continued

California Law requires that a financial institution secure deposits made by state or local government units by pledging securities in an undivided collateral pool held by a depository regulated under state law (unless so waived by the governmental unit). The market value of the pledged securities in the collateral pool must equal at least 110% of the total amount deposited by the public agencies. California law also allows financial institutions to secure County deposits by pledging first trust deed mortgage notes having a value of 150% of the secured public deposits.

As of June 30, 2008, the carrying amount of the County's deposits was of \$35.8 million and the corresponding bank balance was \$96.5 million. The difference of \$60.7 million was primarily due to outstanding warrants, wires and deposits in transit. Of the bank balance, \$200,000 was insured by the FDIC depository insurance and \$96.3 million was uncollateralized and not insured by FDIC depository insurance. Custodial Credit Risk for Investments exists when, in the event of a failure of the counterparty (e.g., broker-dealer) to a transaction, a government will not be able to recover the value of its investment or collateral securities that are in the possession of another party. In order to limit Custodial Credit Risk for Investments, San Bernardino County Pool Investment Policy requires that all investments and investment collateral be transacted on a delivery versus payment basis with a third-party custodian and registered in the County's name. All counterparties to repurchase agreements must sign a TBMA Master Repurchase Agreement and/or Tri-Party Repurchase Agreement before engaging in repurchase agreement transactions.

A separate financial statement is not issued for the external investment pool. The following represents a condensed statement of net assets and changes in net assets for the Treasurer's investment pool as of June 30, 2008 (amounts in thousands):

Statement of Net Assets	
Equity of internal pool participants	\$ 1,717,967
Equity of external pool participants:	
Voluntary	209,520
Involuntary	 2,407,592
Total Net Assets held for pool participants	\$ 4,335,079
Statement of Changes in Net Assets	
Net Assets at July 1, 2007	\$ 3,964,496
Net change in investments by pool participants	 370,583
Net Assets at June 30, 2008	\$ 4,335,079

NOTE 2: CASH AND INVESTMENTS - Continued

As of June 30, 2008, Cash and Investments of \$2,921,163 are classified in the accompanying financial statements as follows:

Total
Governmental
Activities
\$ 2,921,163

Cash and Cash Equivalents

NOTE 3: EMPLOYEE COMPENSATED ABSENCES

Accumulated vacation, holiday benefits, sick pay and compensatory time are recorded as an expense and liability as the benefits are earned. Compensated absence liabilities are recorded as a noncurrent liability. The District is not obligated to pay for unused sick leave if an employee terminates or retires.

Compensated absences activity for the year ended June 30, 2008 is as follows:

Beginn	ing Balance	Additions	Deletions	Er	nding Balance
\$	100,206	\$ 81,789	\$ 45,443	\$	136,552

NOTE 4: CAPITAL ASSETS

The costs of building and acquiring capital assets (land, land improvements, buildings, vehicles and equipment) financed from the governmental funds are reported as expenditures in the year they are incurred, and the assets do not appear on the balance sheet. However, the statement of net assets includes those capital assets among the assets of the District as a whole, and their original costs are expensed annually over their useful lives. Capital asset activity for governmental activities for the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008 follows:

Governmental activities:	Beginning Balance	Additions	Deletions	Ending Balance	
Capital assets, not being depreciated:	\$ 171.057	\$ 1,325,000	\$ 30,118	\$ 1,465,939	
Land	•	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	φ 50,110	.,	
Construction in progress	294,516	133,219		427,735	
Total capital assets, not being depreciated	465,573	1,458,219	30,118	1,893,674	
Capital assets, being depreciated:					
Land improvements	1,183,236	501,102	-	1,684,338	
Structures and improvements	1,450,154	859,965	M*	2,310,119	
Vehicles	150,591	-	-	150,591	
Equipment	17,431		9,733	7,698	
Total capital assets, being depreciated	2,801,412	1,361,067	9,733	4,152,746	
Less accumulated depreciation for:					
Land improvements	(646,500)	(56,036)	-	(702,536)	
Structures and improvements	(644,643)	(63,113)		(707,756)	
Vehicles	(129,920)	(14,186)		(144,106)	
Equipment	(17,431)		(9,733)	(7,698)	
Total accumulated depreciation	(1,438,494)	(133,335)	(9,733)	(1,562,096)	
Total capital assets, being depreciated, net	1,362,918	1,227,732	<u></u>	2,590,650	
Governmental activites capital					
assets, net	\$ 1,828,491	\$ 2,685,951	\$ 30,118	\$ 4,484,324	

Construction in Progress Schedule

At June 30, 2008, construction in progress represents the following projects:

Project Title	Budget	YTI) Expenses	Projected Fiscal Year of Completion
Lighting at Meadow Park	\$ 164,564	\$	28,349	2009
Animal Park Relocation	4,094,302		336,745	2011
Improvements to Erwin Park	57,000		17,287	2009
Meadow Park Improvements	30,000		19,120	2009
Tennis Court Rehabilitation	79,000		26,234	2009
		\$	427,735	

Big Bear Sports Ranch

The District purchased the Big Bear Sports Ranch in October 2007 for \$2,500,000. The property consists of 13.25 acres and includes an array of amenities for recreational activities. The District was awarded the Roberti-Zeiberg-Harris Grant (Prop. 12) to finance the purchase of the capital asset.

Donated Land

The District developed and operated the Big Bear City Park located at the east of the Big Bear Airport runway until 1984, when an airplane crashed in the center of the park, forcing the park to terminate its operations. The park is comprised of 4 parcels, one of which, the North Parcel, was donated to the Big Bear Historical Society. The North Parcel consists of approximately 1.65 acres and a 3,000 square-foot structure that the Big Bear Valley Historical Society is using to operate the Big Bear Museum. The value of the donated land was \$30,118. The District did not incur any cost as a result of the transfer of property.

NOTE 5: SUBSEQUENT EVENT

The District will be relocating the Moonridge Zoo during the 2008-2009 fiscal year, as the lease on the current property will be expiring in 2010. On August 26, 2008, the Board of Supervisors authorized the transfer of \$5,750,000 from the County General Fund Moonridge Zoo Reserve to the Big Bear Valley Park and Recreation Moonridge Animal Park CIP budget to begin this project.

NOTE 6: RETIREMENT PLAN

Plan Description

The San Bernardino County Employees' Retirement Association (SBCERA) is a cost-sharing multiple-employer defined benefit pension plan (the "Plan") operating under the California County Employees Retirement Act of 1937 ("1937 Act"). It provides retirement, death, and disability benefits to members. Although legally established as a single employer plan, the City of Big Bear Lake, the City of Chino Hills, the California State Association of Counties, the San Bernardino County Law Library, Crest Forest Fire Protection District, Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District (MDAQMD) and the South Coast Air Quality Management District (the "AQMD"), were later included, along with the County of San Bernardino (the "County"), and are collectively referred to as the "Participating Members". The plan is governed by the San Bernardino Board of Retirement under the 1937 Act. Employees become eligible for membership on their first day of regular employment and become fully vested after 5 years. SBCERA issues a standalone financial report, which may be obtained by contacting the Board of Retirement, 348 W Hospitality Lane - 3rd floor, San Bernardino, California 92415-0014.

NOTE 6: RETIREMENT PLAN - Continued

Fiduciary Responsibility

The Retirement Association is controlled by its own board, the Retirement Board, which acts as a fiduciary agent for the accounting and control of member and employee contributions and investment income. The Retirement Association publishes its own Comprehensive Annual Financial Report and receives a separate independent audit. The Retirement Association is also a legally separate entity from the County and not a component unit. For these reasons, the County's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report excludes the Retirement Association pension trust fund as of June 30, 2008.

Funding Policy (amounts reported in the thousands)

Participating members are required by statute (Sections 31621, 31621.2 and 31639.25 of the California Government Code) to contribute a percentage of covered salary based on certain actuarial assumptions and their age at entry to the Plan. Employee contribution rates vary according to age and classification (general or safety). Members are required to contribute 8.97% - 12.84% for general members and 11.14% - 15.09% for safety members, of their annual covered salary of which the County pays approximately 7%. County of San Bernardino employer contribution rates are as follow: County General 12.03%, County Safety 24.84%. All employers combined are required to contribute 14.46% of the current year covered payroll. For 2008, the County's annual pension cost of \$203,712 was equal to the County's required and actual contributions. Employee contribution rates are established and may be amended pursuant to Articles 6 and 6.8 of the 1937 Act. Employer rates are determined pursuant to Sections 31453 of the 1937 Act. The County's annual pension cost and prepaid asset, computed in accordance with GASB 27, Accounting for Pensions by State and Local Governmental Employers, for the year ended June 30, 2008, were as follows:

Annual Required Contribution (County fiscal year basis) Interest On Pension Assets	\$ 203,712 (32,917)
Adjustment To The Annual Required Contribution	 47,803
Annual Pension Cost	218,598
Annual Contributions Made	203,712
Increase/(Decrease) in Pension Assets	 (14,886)
Pension Asset, Beginning of Year	 828,602
Pension Asset, End of Year	\$ 813,716

NOTE 6: RETIREMENT PLAN - Continued

The following table shows the County's required contributions and percentage contributed, for the current year and two preceding years:

Annual Contributions Made									
Year Ended June 30,	SBCERA	County	Percentage Contributed						
2006	197,343	166,614	100%						
2007	239,857	194,130	100%						
2008	241,721	203,712	100%						

The following schedule shows the County's actuarial value of its assets compared to its accrued liability, for the current year and five preceding years:

Actuarial Valuation Date	 arial Value of ssets* (a)	 narial Accrued bility (AAL)** (b)	 Unfunded/ (Overfunded) AAL (UAAL) (b)-(a)	Funded Ratio (a) / (b)	Covered Payroll (c)	UAAL as a Percentage of Covered Payroll [(b)-(a)]/(c)
6/30/2003	\$ 3,815,573	\$ 4,368,411	\$ 552,838	87.34%	933,898	59.20%
6/30/2004	4,418,152	4,719,865	301,713	93.61%	943,545	31.98%
6/30/2005	4,750,229	5,215,719	465,490	91.08%	968,674	48.05%
6/30/2006	5,175,767	5,624,646	448,879	92.02%	1,028,731	43.63%
6/30/2007	5,797,400	6,227,013	429,613	93.10%	1,102,151	38.98%
6/30/2008	6,341,531	6,773,629	432,098	93.62%	1,219,562	35.43%

^{*} Includes assets for Survivor Benefits, Burial Allowance, General Retiree Subsidy, and Excess Earnings Reserves

The County, along with the AQMD, issued Pension Refunding Bonds (the "Bonds") in November 1995 with an aggregate amount of \$420,527. These Bonds were issued to allow the County and the AQMD to refinance each of their unfunded accrued actuarial liabilities with respect to retirement benefits for their respective employees. The Bonds are the obligations of the employers participating in the Plan and the assets of the Plan do not secure the Bonds. The County's portion of the bond issuance was \$386,266. In April 2008, the County refunded a portion of the Bonds. The current amount outstanding at June 30, 2008 is \$435,707.

On June 24, 2004, the County issued its County of San Bernardino Pension Obligation Bonds, Series 2004 A (Fixed Rate Bonds), its County of San Bernardino Pension Obligation Bonds, Series 2004 B (Auction Rate Bonds), and its County of San Bernardino Pension Obligation Bonds, Series 2004 C (Index Bonds) in a respective aggregate principal amounts of \$189,070, \$149,825, and \$125,000. The Bonds were issued to finance the County's share of the unfunded accrued actuarial liability of the SBCERA. In April 2008, the County refunded a portion of the Series 2004 A and all of the 2004 Series B. The current amount outstanding at June 30, 2008 is \$301,595.

^{**} Includes liabilities held for Survivor Benefits, Burial Allowance, General Retiree Subsidy, and Excess Earnings reserves

NOTE 6: RETIREMENT PLAN - Continued

In April 2008, the County of San Bernardino issued its \$160,900 in Pension Obligation Refunding Bonds (POB), Series 2008 (the "Series 2008 Bonds"). The current amount outstanding at June 30, 2008 is \$160,900.

NOTE 7: FEDERAL AND STATE GRANTS

From time to time the District may receive funds from various Federal and State agencies. The grant programs are subject to audit by agents of the granting authority, the purpose of which is to ensure compliance with conditions precedent to the granting of funds.

NOTE 8: SELF-INSURANCE

The District is insured through the County's self-insurance programs for public liability, property damage, unemployment insurance, employee dental insurance, hospital and medical malpractice liability, and workers' compensation claims. Public liability claims are self-insured for up to \$1 million per occurrence. Excess insurance coverage over the Self-Insured Retention (SIR) up to \$35 million is provided through a Risk Pool Agreement with California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Excess Insurance Authority ("EIA") Liability Program II. Workers' compensation claims are self-insured up to \$2 million per occurrence, and covered by CSAC EIA for up to \$10 million for employer's liability, and up to \$50 million for workers' compensation per occurrence. Property damage claims are insured on an occurrence basis over a \$25,000 deductible, and insured with CSAC EIA Property Program.

The County supplements its self-insurance for medical malpractice claims with CSAC EIA, which provides annual coverage on a claims made form basis with a SIR of \$1 million for each claim. Maximum coverage under the policy is \$11.5 million per claim with an additional \$10 million in limits provided by the CSAC EIA General Liability II Program.

All public officials and County employees are insured under a blanket Comprehensive Disappearance, Destruction, and Dishonesty policy covering County monies and securities, also with CSAC EIA with a \$100,000 deductible, and excess limits up to \$10 million per occurrence.

The activities related to such programs are accounted for in the County's Risk Management Fund (an internal service fund), except for unemployment insurance, and employee dental insurance, which are accounted for in the County's General Fund. The incurred but not reported (IBNR) and incurred but not settled (IBNS) liabilities stated on the Risk Management fund's balance sheet are based upon the results of actuarial studies, and include amounts for allocated and unallocated loss adjustment expenses.

NOTE 8: SELF-INSURANCE - Continued

The liabilities for these claims are reported using a discounted rate of 2.75%. It is the Department's practice to obtain actuarial studies on an annual basis.

The total claims liability of 149.3 million reported on the Risk Management fund's balance sheet at June 30, 2008 is based on the requirements of GASB Statement No. 10, Accounting and Financial Reporting for Risk Financing and Related Insurance Issues, which requires that a liability for claims be reported if information prior to the issuance of the financial statements indicates that it is probable that a liability has been incurred at the date of the financial statements, and the amount of the loss can be reasonably estimated. Changes in the claims liability amount in fiscal years 2007 and 2008 were:

Fiscal Year	Beginning of Fiscal Year Liability (in thousands)	Current-Year Claims and Changes in Estimates (in thousands)	Claims Payments (in thousands)	Balance at Fiscal Year-End (in thousands)
2006-07	\$127,233	\$34,312	(\$31,862)	\$129,683
2007-08	\$129,683	\$51,702	(\$32,064)	\$149,321

NOTE 9: PROPOSITION 111 APPROPRIATION LIMITS

Proposition 111, which added Article XIIIB to the State Constitution, established limits on budget appropriations in order to restrict government spending. We have reviewed the proceeds of taxes received by the District during the 2007-2008 fiscal year, and have found the revenue to be within the guidelines established by Proposition 111.

NOTE 10: SHORT-TERM DEBT

In July 2007, the County issued Tax and Revenue Anticipation Notes (TRANS) for the benefit of the District totaling \$1,297,087 which was repaid on April 17, 2008. The proceeds of the TRANS were intended to provide financing for District expenditures. The TRANS were secured by a pledge of various monthly amounts of property taxes on the secured roll.

Beg	inning Balance					E	Ending Balance	
July 1, 2007		Additions			Reductions	June 30, 2008		
\$		\$	1,297,087	\$	1,297,087	\$	*	

NOTE 11: INTERFUND TRANSFERS

Interfund transfer transactions are used to close out a fund, reimburse an operating fund and transfer cash between operating funds and capital project funds. During the fiscal year ended June 30, 2008, the District made the following interfund transfers:

FROM	TO		
FUND	FUND	PURPOSE	AMOUNT
SSA	CST	FOR CIP PROJECT	\$ 50,000
SSA	CQG	FOR CIP PROJECT	44,000
SSA	CQK	FOR CIP PROJECT	50,000
SSA	CRG	FOR SUGARLOAF PARK	76,000
SSA	CXE	FOR MEADOW PARK	75,000
SSA	CXF	FOR SWIM & SKI BEACH	79,000
SSA	CSZ	FOR CIP PROJECT	20,000
CQJ	SSA	RESIDUAL EQUITY	36
SSB	SSA	RESIDUAL EQUITY	2,631
SSH	SSA	RESIDUAL EQUITY	30,720
SSC	CRR	RESIDUAL EQUITY	74,030
CGS	SSA	RESIDUAL EQUITY	1
CQK	SSA	RESIDUAL EQUITY	6,683
CST	SSA	RESIDUAL EQUITY	9,522
		TOTAL INTERFUND TRANSFERS	\$ 517,623

Required Supplementary Information County of San Bernardino Big Bear Valley Park and Recreation District Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Special Revenue Fund (General) For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

	_Ori	ginal Budget		Final Budget		Actual		riance with Final Budget
REVENUES	\$	1,665,008	\$	1,665,008	\$	1,700,452	\$	35,444
Property taxes	Ф		Ф		Φ		Ψ	
State assistance		308,583		308,583		2,691,046		2,382,463
Other governmental assistance		90.000		80,000		105,427 29,899		105,427 (50,101)
Investment earnings		80,000 633,000		633,000		29,099 605,390		(27,610)
Charges for services		1,000		1,000		33,675		32,675
Other		1,000		1,000	***************************************	33,073		<u> </u>
Total revenues		2,687,591		2,687,591		5,165,889		2,478,298
EXPENDITURES								
Salaries and benefits		1,269,376		1,269,376		1,206,574		62,802
Services and supplies		690,460		690,460		1,178,532		(488,072)
Land/Structures/Improvements		4,670,580		4,791,144		2,500,000		2,291,144
Reserves and contingencies		790,795		790,795				790,795
Total expenditures		7,421,211		7,541,775		4,885,106		2,656,669
Excess of revenues over								
(under) expenditures		(4,733,620)		(4,854,184)		280,783		5,134,967
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers in		11,000		11,000		49,593		38,593
Transfers out		(552,583)		(552,583)	********	(394,000)		158,583
Total other financing								
sources (uses)		(541,583)		(541,583)		(344,407)		197,176
Net change in fund balance	\$	(5,275,203)	\$	(5,395,767)		(63,624)	\$	5,332,143
Fund balance - beginning						919,767		
Fund balance - ending					\$	856,143		

Required Supplementary Information County of San Bernardino Big Bear Valley Park and Recreation District Budgetary Comparison Schedule – Special Revenue Fund (Zoo) For the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008

	Orig	inal Budget		Final Budget		Actual		ance with nal Budget
REVENUES					_		_	
Property taxes	\$	111,700	\$	111,700	\$	111,700	\$	-
Investment earnings		2,500		2,500		7,356		4,856
Charges for services		403,517		403,517		499,338		95,821
Contributions and private donations				-		11,740		11,740
Other		37,288		37,288		-		(37,288)
Total revenues		555,005		555,005		630,134		75,129
EXPENDITURES								
Salaries and benefits		409,702		409,702		365,857		43,845
Services and supplies		137,918		137,918		214,595		(76,677)
Reserves and contingencies		76,069		76,069		-		76,069

Total expenditures		623,689	***************************************	623,689		580,452	***************************************	43,237
Excess of revenues over								
(under) expenditures		(68,684)	***************************************	(68,684)		49,682		118,366
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES (USES)								
Transfers out		(80,043)	***************************************	(80,043)			***************************************	80,043
Total other financing								
sources (uses)		(80,043)		(80,043)		<u></u>		80,043
			-					
Net change in fund balance	\$	(148,727)	\$	(148,727)		49,682	\$	198,409
Fund balance - beginning						152,128		
Fund balance - ending					\$	201,810		